



## **17th TCI Global Conference 2014, Monterrey, Mexico, 10-13 November 2014 "Creating Shared Value through Clusters for a Sustainable Future"**

**13.11.2014 250 cluster practitioners from over 40 countries participated in the main international conference on cluster development in the world, organized annually by the TCI Network.**

The 17th TCI Global Conference was held in Monterrey, Mexico, on 10-13 November 2014. Under the theme of "Creating Shared Value through Clusters for a Sustainable Future", **250 cluster practitioners, policy makers, academics and business people from over 40 countries** and institutions like the World Bank and the Interamerican Development Bank gathered to exchange knowledge and experiences.

Organised in collaboration between the Nuevo Leon State Government, the Nuevo Leon Economic Development Secretariat and Nuevo Leon Clusters, the three and a half day-day event included discussions on major themes related to cluster based economic development, such as **clusters' role in addressing societal challenges, the new industrial revolution and the role of clusters, the role of innovation & entrepreneurship in competitiveness and regional economic performance, clusters as a tool to create global innovation winners and increase competitiveness, cluster implementation in different parts of the world, as well as cross-sectorial and cross-regional cluster collaboration.**

**Plenary speakers** included **Scott Stern**, Chair of the Technological Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Strategic Management Group at MIT; **Rogelio Garza**, Undersecretary of Industry and Commerce, Federal Government of Mexico; **Dane Smith**, Foundation Strategy Group; **Ken Warwick**, Economics Consultant and member of UK's Regulatory Policy Committee; **Ivan Rossignol**, World Bank; **Jaana Remes**, Director of McKinsey Global Institute; **Jun Yeup Kim**, Kyung Hee University and **Carlo Pietrobelli**, Competitiveness and Innovation Division, Interamerican Development Bank.

In parallel to the onsite conference, there was a **lively debate and exchange of impressions on social media** allowing anyone to join the conversation through #TCI2014, which hence widened the global impact of the event.

At the **TCI General Assembly**, a partial renewal of the Board of Directors took place with the reelection of Richard Walker, Australia and the election of 4 new members: Chong Lim, KICOX, Korea; Danka Milojkovic, Cluster House, Serbia; Tom Sommer, MassMEDIC, U.S. and Yasin Naku Ziraba, Innovation Systems & Cluster Programme, Uganda.

**All conference presentations, photos and online discussions are available on the TCI social media channels:**

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